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Down the Potomac Amid Scenes That Recall Nation's Pioneers

our very door, is a body of water on comes. which there could be held entertainments for thousands, and there would be the means of bringing hundreds

of visitors to Washington. There could be, for instance, motor boat races from ten to 200 miles long, say from here to Alexandria and return, or to Beales and back. The river also affords vast stretches on which could be held sailing contests over courses of any desired length. Then again, there could be flights of hydroplanes and some of these could be in the nature of "stunt" racesflying five miles, then descending to the water and picking up a dummy representing a canoeist clinging to the bottom of his upturned craft. There could be other flights of all kinds, some simulating conditions that might be found in war times while many others could be evolved by the naval aviators. Aside from the entertaiment feature, it would be excellent practice for the young men that handle the controls of these huge machines. Dummy bombs also could be dropped.

LEAVING the amusement feature entirely out of the question. think of the demonstration it would be for the men in Congress, many of whom have but a hazy idea of what the sea birds can really do. There could also be regattas and pageants that would show the early history of the river, a stream that is associated with many incidents that are not mentioned in the histories used in the schools.

It is not beyond the power of man to give exhibitions of how the submarines work, how they dive, spot an enemy ship, emerge from the water's depth, prepare for action, and how they can glide along the surface of the water smoothly and with but a faint swish from the bow of the

We might also have sham battles, showing how the dashing marines operate when they are sending a landing party ashore to fight a foe The river affords a great opportunity show how the engineers work, how they build pontoon bridges and do a dozen or more things that the general public believes impossible of accomplishment.

Fifty years ago the following lines

All quiet along the Potomac tonight; Where the soldiers lie peacefully dreaming Pheir tents in the rays of the clear au

tremulous sigh, as the gentle night wind While stars up above, with their glittering

Keep guard-for the army is sleeping.

While soft falls the dew on the face of the

The picket's off duty forever.

Potomac," has for years been repeated by thousands of people throughout the land.

A CCORDING to reports that have been handed down from generation to generation, members of a company of Spaniards, from the state of Florida were the first white men to navigate the Potomac, making the trip about 1570, but as no complete records were left the discovery of the river has been generally credited to Capt. John Smith, and according to the records, he followed the stream up as far as Little Falls, just above the site on which this city now

The average American is, as a rule keenly intent upon seeing something that is afar, but if those who live in this city will take the time to journey up and down the Potomac they will find that the far-famed Hudson river, ever with its beautiful scenery, does not by any means overshadow the Potomac, and many of the streams in Europe which some Americans admire do no begin to have the wealth of beauty that one can observe from here to the mouth of Chesapeake bay.

and one that is replete with historic; associations. If one were to delve into the archives of tidewater Virginia, and also ecure access to many of the letters and records in the possession of old Virginia families, he would find a wealth of material which would form the basis of a most interesting series of stories telling of the early days of the nation. In fact, the country through which the Potomac flows may well be called "the cradle of the nation."

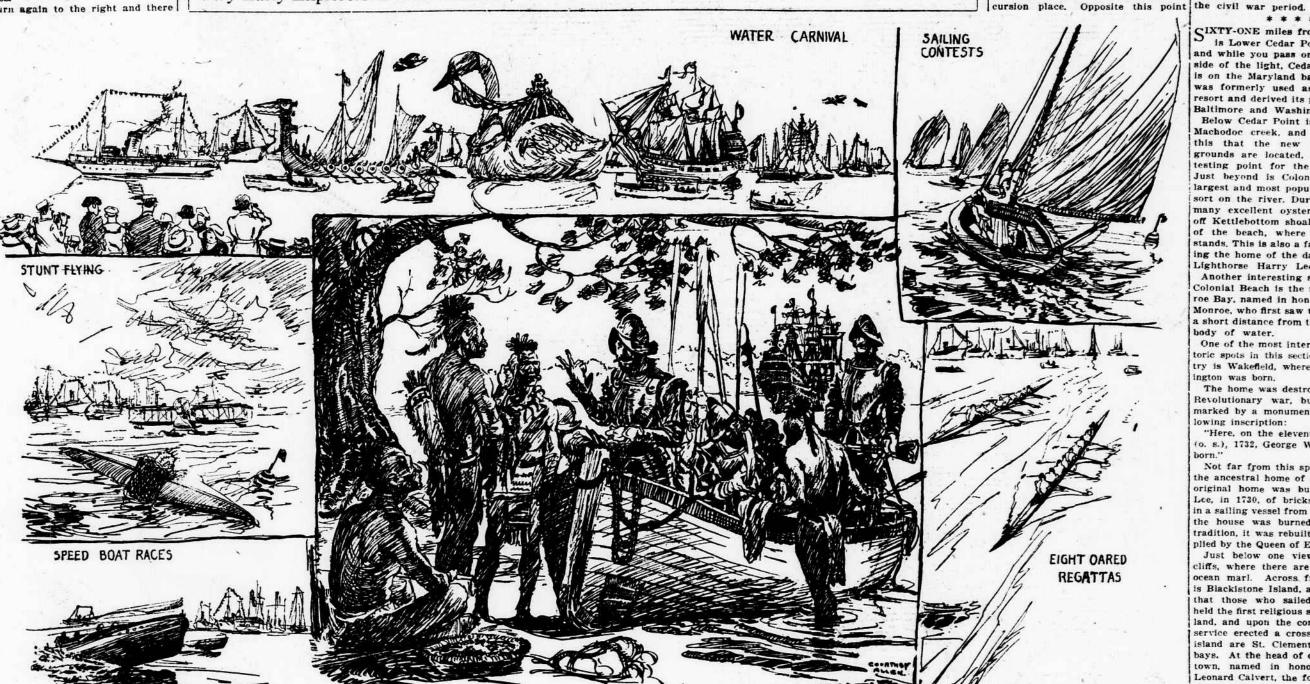
Stop and think of the many famous nen and women that have lived in Washington, Virginia and Maryland and the great deeds they performed. Generation after generation played a most npertant part in the building of the great structure that is known as the United States of America.

* * * * finds at the end of the journey that | by the Engineer Corps. e has learned much about a wonderful section of the country. Just before he leaves the dock his gaze which was built in 1808 but destroyed wanders across the acres of reclaimed ground where golf links afford musement and gardens produce fresh, crisp vegetables. Beyond is the rest the mortal remains of the unknown soldier; just beyond, the three great spider-like structures, the vireless towers that have a radius of 2.000 miles or more. Pause and consider what interesting reading it would make if it were possible to ecure copies of the messages that were sent from and received at these wers during the late war, and then hink of what Capt. John Smith would ay if he could have been there to

T has long been a matter of sur-with deep significance. Let your gaze prise to many that the manifold wander to the right and there is the advantages of the beautiful old Lee mansion, the home of one stream, the Potomac river, have the greatest generals that the world not been utilized. If one stops to has ever known. Beyond rest the think of the many things that could dead of three wars, men who will be done he will find that here, at rest until another and greater call

Turn again to the right and there

Traveler on Beautiful Stream Is Reminded of Many Things That Might Be Done to Utilize It for Entertainment or to Demonstrate the Resources of the Fighting Branches of the Government Service-Associated With Earliest American History and With Many Other Events Which Have Been Turning Points in the Republic-Tradition of the Spaniards Who Are Said to Have Been Very Early Explorers in This Section.



the great memorial to Abraham to the European opinion of forts. Lincoln, a beautiful edifice. Then again we see the Washington Monument, the White House and the glimpse of the navy yard and then And the line, "All quiet along the flying machines, both of the Army and the Navy.

The whistle blows a last warning, are cast off, and we commence the journey, a trip that will long be remembered.

As the War College is passed we run into the Anacostia river, or Eastern branch, as it is locally known. It was about at this point that Capt. the Indians for beaver skins. On the George Washington, but was erected did this while running back the lines Head proving grounds. top of a hill to the left stands St. by Lawrence Washington in 1743 of the Fairfax estate into the mounfor the insane. Just below, on the eral in 1759. same side of the stream, is the Firth Stirling steel plant, where large pro iectiles are fabricated.

RUN of six miles brings us opposite the historic city of Alexandria, laid out in 1748 by Lord Fairfax and Lawrence Washington. It was from this point that Gen. Braddock launched his attempt to capture Fort Duquesne. In the city of Alexandria are located two specially notable structures. The first is tions apply only to those who were born on Christ Church, where George Washington worshiped; the other the have the Great Falls, a beautiful spot Masonic Hall, over which he presided as worshipful master. It was in this city that Col. Ellsworth was shot for pulling down a Confederate flag. Many people in the north today bear, as a Christian name, Ellsworth, children having been named for him shortly after he was killed. Here, also, is a naval torpedo staduring the late war period. There several ships were launched.

Alexandria in the early days was the United States. About three or four miles below the city is the Episcopal theological seminary and from this institution of learning have graduated numerous clergymen who have risen to high positions in the Episcopal Church. At an equal distance from Alexandria is Fort BOARD a steamer that makes a trip distance from Alexandria is Fort down the famous stream and one one that is used to a certain extent Same true of this group.

> Passing beyond this point the steame heads for Fort Washington, Md., the high walls of masonry present wall, but these would be of comparatively little use except under cer- Saturn. tain military conditions.

On the opposite side of the river, DURING August, 1922, Saturn holds a little farther to the south, is Fort hear the crackling as the words were a certain extent, at least, subscribe favorable one. The nature of this September 18 to 27,

the War College, the finishing school establishing a colony of white men. structure rests on the site of Belvoir George Washington attended as a Neabsco-at the mouth of which there conducted his experiments with a flyof Uncle Sam's soldiers; then the He, however, finally decided it was mansion, the home of Lord Fairfax, lad. Another interesting sight is Gunlast word in modern warfare, the too far inland and the project, for who in those days was one of the ston Hall, built by George Mason in mental inecription in the, United ceded that it was here that the first the United States fish commission, the northern neck of Virginia, but of the framers of the Constitution. a gong in the engine room tells us used for the propagation of differ- also the territory that ran as far that we are about to start, ropes ent kinds of fish with which to stock the streams of the country.

Diagonally across from this point den wilderness. is Marshatl Hall, formerly the home

back as the mountains. Passing on, one catches the first tory to know that it was through the point is the naval proving ground by the Father of his Country, Mount ington, the surveyor, received his ships were tested, but owing to the and neighbor." home, with its famous white columns. the property of Lord Fairfax that are now tested at a point farther Contrary to the general opinion, the young man first gave evidence of down the river. A smokeless powder

The next point of interest on the

CAPT JOHN SMITH TRADING WITH

THE INDIANS IN THE EASTERN BRANCH.

The river makes a bend around Hal- lows:

To the right is the mouth of Occo-he quan bay, where is located the work-RIGHT near the foot of the hill at of the Marshalls, relatives of the trip is the wharf built by the United house of the District of Columbia. railway. It was just of Widewater Fort Washington is the mouth celebrated Chief Justice of that name. States engineers for their convenience Historians state that the Spanlards thist the late President Cleveland Capitol with its inspiring dome. of Piscataway creek, and it was here As you pass this point you see a at Camp Humphreys. This wharf is at who came up the Potomac. in 1570 used to go for a large portion of his was found, in 1837, the oldest monu- ing machine. In fact, it is now con-

Still turning to the right, there is that Leonard Calvert conferred with high cliff; and nestled close to the the mouth of Pohick creek. In the reached this point. Below this merg-duck shooting, and it was not far the navy yard and then, the Indians as to the matter of shore is a small white house. This town of Pohick is the church that ing body of water is a small creek - from this spot that Prof. Langley that time at least, was abandoned. largest property owners in the United 1758. Mason was the author of the States, probably marking the grave heavier-than-air machine ever flew. Here are some of the buildings of States. His estates included not only Virginia bill of rights, and was one of one of John Smith's brave little Those who resided in Washington at band. The inscription reads as fol- the time will recall that Langley's The river makes a bend around Hal-lows: machine started from the top of a lowing Point, giving one a view of "Here lies ye bodie of Lieutenant large ark anchored in the river, ob-It is a rather interesting bit of his- Glymont and Indian Head. Around William Herris, who died May ye 16 taining its momentum from heavy in 1608, aged 065 years. By birth a springs at the end of a track laid for glimpse of the estate that was owned | Lord Fairfax that young George Wash- | where formerly the big guns for war- | Briton, a good soldier, a good husband the machine. The model flew 1,000 feet in one and a half minutes, on Vernon. Atop the hill is the historic start in life. It was while surveying increase in range, the largest guns On the Maryland side of the river May 6, 1896. The experiments conwe see Stump Neck. It was at this ducted by Langley are now acknowlpoint that the marines established edged to have been invaluable to John Smith, in 1608, bartered with Mount Vernon was not built by his resourcefulness and courage. He factory is located below the Indian their rifle range, and it was here that aerial navigation, and while numermany of the sharpshooters of that ous mental mossbacks shook their top of a hill to the left stands St. and bequeathed to the American gentains and valley of Virginia, which at that time was practically an untrodbranch of the service were trained, heads and decreed that Langley was

A BOUT forty-one miles from Washington is the mouth of Aquia creek and, according to tradition, at the head of this stream were located the fabulous silver mines of the Indians. Before a railroad connection had been completed between the north and the south it was at the mouth of this creek that the old mail boats landed their passengers from Wash-August is an important month for those born on October 13, 14, 15, 16 ington and the north, and during the war of 1861 it served a similar purand 17 of any year, for during this pose. Continuing, the steamer is steering nearly northeast. There is command of Midshipman Sigourney, period they are under the beneficial a sharp bend in the river, and in en- was attacked by the British Contest transit of Jupiter, the planet of good fortune, over the point held by their tering this "reach" we view the first, and Mohawk. Despite the fact that Highthouse since we left Fort Wash- the brave crew of the Asp put up a

ington, the present one being Mary-N other interests this force is equal- | land Point light. The lighthouse is out of existence, being outnumbered ly good-law suits, matrimonial af- situated well over on the Virginia five to one. fairs and business conditions should side, the Maryland side proper being all be very favorable for those whose on the opposite side of the channel. dates are found in the next group. It was at this point that Capt. Gor-Jupiter is now passing through the don anchored the British fleet at the zodiacal sign Libra, where this force time numerous buildings in Washingis supposed to be exceptionally ton were destroyed. On the Margiand strong. Any one who is under this side is Nanjemoy Stores, or, as it is sway at present is advised to take now called, Riverside. Next we see advantage of the fact that in pushing another lighthouse. Upper Cedar THE retrograde movement of Ura- his plans while in accord with the point, situated fifty-one miles from nus this month confines its strain planetary vibrations he will be utiliz- jour starting point. Just beyond is largely to all people born on March same way that an engineer utilizes named in honor of an Indian queen the south. physical principles in the construc- who, according to tradition, was one If you care to proceed down Chesaof the converts of Father White in peake bay, you will pass, on the 1870-September 8 to 16; October 19 1635. Tobacco has been raised in this right, Fort Monroe, where once stood section of the country for many years.

Thomas' Catholic Church. Lord Cal- burned several years ago. One of the vert was instrumental in securing for provisions in the clause permitting the Catholic Church many grants of the erection of this hotel was the land on the Maryland side of the river. Continuing down stream, we down in twenty-four hours at any reach Mathias Point light, and it was time that the government demanded first Confederate batteries were es-

here during the civil war that the its removal. tablished, the guns coming from the Norfolk navy yard. Here also Capt. Prof. Langley. Beyond is Newport Ward of the gunboat Resolute was News, and straight ahead are numerlast two groups must use caution in

> Pope's creek, the terminal of the Baltimore and Potomac railway. From

was shelled by Union gunboats Janu- leg of Booth while he was attempting to escape after having assassinated On the Maryland side below Quan- President Lincoln.

ico one sees Sandy point, Liverpool | Near this point Booth crossed the wharf and Dent's wharf. The last- river. Ludiow's Ferry, which is but mentioned was formerly known as a short distance below Pope's creek, Clifton Beach, and about three dec- is the place where contraband articles ades ago it was famous as an ex- were ferried across the river during

> SIXTY-ONE miles from Washington is Lower Cedar Point lighthouse and while you pass on the starboard side of the light, Cedar Point proper is on the Maryland bank. This place was formerly used as an excursion esort and derived its patronage from Baltimore and Washington.

Below Cedar Point is the mouth o Machodoc creek, and it is back of this that the new naval proving grounds are located, this being the esting point for the largest guns. Just beyond is Colonial Beach, the largest and most popular summer resort on the river. During the winter many excellent oysters are dredged off Kettlebottom shoals, just abreast of the beach, where the old hotel stands. This is also a famous spot, be ing the home of the dashing general. Lighthorse Harry Lee. Another interesting spot just below

Colonial Beach is the mouth of Monroe Bay, named in honor of President Monroe, who first saw the light of day a short distance from the head of that body of water. One of the most interesting and historic spots in this section of the coun

try is Wakefield, where George Wash-The home was destroyed before the Revolutionary war, but the spot is marked by a monument with the fol-

owing inscription: "Here, on the eleventh of February o. s.), 1732, George Washington was

Not far from this spot is Stratford. the ancestral home of the Lees. The original home was built by Thomas Lee, in 1730, of bricks brought over in a sailing vessel from England. After the house was burned, according to tradition, it was rebuilt by funds supplied by the Queen of England.

Just below one views the Nomin cliffs, where there are large beds of ocean marl. Across from this point is Blackistone Island, and it was here that those who sailed on the Dove held the first religious service in Mary land, and upon the conclusion of the service erected a cross. Back of the island are St. Clements and Bretons bays. At the head of one is Leonard. town, named in honor of Benedict Leonard Calvert, the fourth Lord Bal timore. Not far from Leonardtown i the estate of Francis Scott Key.

OMINI Creek, particularly described by Capt. John Smith in 1608, is the point that we now enter The record of Capt. John Smith is describing this portion of the country

ing the river no sign of life had been seen, but we had hardly entered a little bayed creek toward Onawmanient (Nomini) when we found all the woods roundabout layd with ambushcadoes to the number of three or four thou sand savages, so strangely paynted. grimmed and disguised, shouting, yelling and crying as so many spirits from rible "

Inside of the creek are Beales wharf McQuires wharf, Deep Point and Nomini. Proceeding from the creek down the Potomac, one passes Ragged Point lighthouse, situated on the Virginia side of the river, while on the Maryland side, a little below, is Piney Point, a popular summer resort.

About ten miles from Piney Point, across the river, which is now six miles wide, you see the mouth of the Yeocomico river, at the head of which is Kinsale, and according to history it was laid out for a city at the same time as Philadelphia. Back a few miles from Kinsale is Yeocomico Church, one of the oldest churches in the United States, and it was in this house of worship that George Washington was baptized. The original front is still used and the church itself is in an excellent state of pres ervation.

One of the most noted encounters in the war of 1812 occurred on June 14. 1813, at the mouth of the Yeocomico, when the U. S. S. Asp, under stubborn resistance, they were wiped

THE tourist now notices that there is a gentle roll to the water, owon Chesapeake bay. Point Lookout is just beyond, and it is at this point that he United States government erected a granite monument to the memory of 3,800 Confederate soldiers who died in the federal prison during the war between the north and

one of the most famous hotels One also catches a glimpse of St. in the United States. This was stipulation that it must be torn

Passing on, you get a glimpse of the flying field named in honor of ous ships from all parts of the world Below the last-mentioned light- resting easily at anchor. Beyond house, down the river a few miles, is you see the skyline of that thriving southern city, Norfolk,

In going from the wharf in Washhere there is a small boat that trans- ington to Piney Point you have sailports mail and other articles to Co- ed 104 miles and you have passed lonial Beach. Just above the mouth through a section of country where of Pope's creek, situated near the lived men and women whose courbrow of the hill, is a small white age, energy and vision made this

Saturn's Power in August to Bring Earthly Sorrow, Astrologer Says

BY MARION MEYER DREW These forecasts have greatly entertained students of horoscopes. -The author's predicthe dates given.

DEOPLE born on the 7th, 8th, 9th or 10th of this month in any year have a decided tendency to investigate all curious and ing the month, on account of the transit of their sun at this time of the mysterious forces subject to the planet Neptune. Sir Arthur Conan tion, while at the southern end of Doyle is a strong Neptunian man, the town a shipyard was established and his interest in spiritism is a manifestation of this influence. Doubtless a number of new followers whose birthdays come in the one of the most prominent cities in group of dates listed below will come forward in the course of the next lays and sorrows, and most of the four weeks:

1870-October 3 to 7. 1872-August 20 to 30; September 10 to 15.

1874-October 25 to December 18 Strong for psychic experiences. 1875-July 29 to September

1876-March 2 to June 13. 1889-May 27 to June 21. 1896-July 20 to 29.

An interesting thing to note about by the British six years later. While this transit is that it affects largely people in middle life, the very young a formidable appearance, they would or the aged not feeling the urge tonot stand up for an hour under the | ward psychic investigation. Younger great white amphitheater, where fire of the modern day guns. Mod- people feel more keenly the transits ern batteries are located back of the of Mars and Jupiter, while old people are more sensitive to the influence of

> most strongly those born on Sep-Hunt. There is an old saying in tember 27 to 30 of any year. In spite Europe that "nobody but fools and of the fact that, generally speaking, Americans believe in forts," and solar conditions are such as to free there is considerable truth in this business from the depression of the statement. Those who have wit- early part of the year, Saturn affects nessed the wreck that was made of too many people during the late sumthe forts at Liege, Belgium, will to mer for this period to be a distinctly

force is to cause disappointments, dedates given in the following paragraphs will feel the depression which results from any strengthening of the Saturnian force in their lives:

1870-October 8 to 19. 1871-January 9 to 26; February 23 o March 9; June 23 to July 2; August ber 8 to 14.

1874-August 23 to September 12; November 7 to 14. 1876-October 18 to 25; November 5 o 10. This is not a serious sway.

1877-August 26 to September 2 October 13 to 17. 1878-October 1 to 13. 1879-August 15 to 25; September 11 o 20; November 9 to 15.

1880-September 9 to 17. 1882-August 14 to 17 and 23 to 29. 1884-August 1 to 8; August 29 to September 14; November 6 to 10. 1885-August 24 to 30; September 21

1886-January 1 to March 7; March 5 to September 14. 1887-August 18 to September 13. 1889-November 16 to 24. 1892-September 24 to October 27.

1895-August 21 to September

1893-June 1 to July 11.

1897-August 29 to September 19 November 12 to December 17. * * * *

to sudden and disorganizing events ing cosmic principles in exactly the the mouth of Port Tobacco creek, 1, 2 and 3 of any year. The distinguishing feature of the Uranian 13 to 22; September 19 to 30; Novem- influence is the unexpectedness with which important things in life come about. Any one who has this planet! strong in his horoscope feels this effect all through life, but particularly when the planet is in transit over a sensitive degree in his star map. The people whose birthdays follow will be sure to experience something surprising and probably rather unpleasant during the present month:

> 1877-March 1 to 20; June 30 to July 6; September 7 to 16; October 24 to November 2. 1879-May 13, 14, 15 and 29 to August 4.

1881-March 22 to 27. 1883-March 23 to 30. 1885-March 6 to 16. 1887—February 13 to 21. 1891-April 28 to May 10: September

1880-January 11 to 21.

to 22: December 15 to 29. This group much given to speculation. 1892-Last week of November.

money matters primarily.

1895-February 11 to 20.

sun at birth. This is good for all

tion of a piece of machinery. to 27. 1871-July 13 to 23.

1872-December 18 to 28. ember 21 to December 1.

1879-November 21 to 27. 1880-September 17 to October 4. 1882-September 7 to 15. 1886-October 1 to 17. 1887-October 8 to December 31. 1888-January 1 to October 16. These

1878-October 13 to 23.

investigating. Their tendency to be too optimistic is dangerous. 1889-Oct. 20 to 30; December 2 to 11. 1890-August 20 to 27; September

1891-November 10 to 19. 1892-September 16 to October 27 1895-October 2 to 12. 1899-October 25 to September

house. It was on the site of this great nation possible. October 1 to 7.